



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Alfred Schaffner

Serial No: 10/526,685

Art Unit:

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Title: DENTAL MATRIX RETAINER

Examiner: Cris L. Rodriguez

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**AMENDMENT**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on May 18, 2006 and setting a shortened statutory period for response of three months to expire on August 18, 2007. Applicant petitions that, if required, the time for response be extended and the corresponding fee be charged. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Acct. No. 11-0224. Applicant further respectfully requests that this response be accepted as a bona fide effort to meet any potential response requirements outstanding and due in the above captioned matter.

Please amend the application as follows: